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i.e., regardless of which way the surface is divided, each half is 1 half meter wide by 1 meter long. Therefore, divide the area either top/bottom or left/right. For selecting the first half, this example will select from left/right halves.

- (ii) A coin flip selects the left half. The dimensions of this selected surface area are 1 meter high and ½ meter wide
  - (2) Selecting the second half:
- (i) If the next selection of halves was left/right, the halves would be rectangles four times as long as they are wide (¼ meter wide and 1 meter high). Halves selected from top/bottom would be square (½ meter on a side). Therefore, select the next halves top/bottom because the shape of the top/bottom halves (square) is closer to the shape of a circle than the shape of the left/right halves (long narrow rectangles).
- (ii) A coin flip selects the top half. The dimensions of this selected surface area are  $\frac{1}{2}$  meter high and  $\frac{1}{2}$  meter wide.
  - (3) Selecting the third half:
- (i) Just as for the selection of the first half, which divided the original square area, both the left/right and the top/bottom halves have the same shape when compared to a circle (both are rectangles having the same dimensions). Therefore, choose either left/right or top/bottom halves. This example will select from left/right halves.
- (ii) A coin flip selects the right half. The dimensions of this selected surface are ½ meter by ½ meter.
  - (4) Selecting the fourth half:
- (i) If the next selection of halves was left/right, the halves would be rectangles four times as long as they are wide (½ meter wide and ½ meter high. Halves selected from top/bottom would be square (¼ meter on a side). Therefore, select the next halves top/bottom, because the shape of the top/bottom, halves (square) are closer to the shape of a circle than the shape of the left/right halves (long narrow rectangles).
- (ii) A coin flip selects the bottom half. The dimensions of this selected surface area are  $\frac{1}{4}$  meter high and  $\frac{1}{4}$  meter wide.
  - (5) Selecting the fifth half:
- (i) Just as for the selection of the first and third halves, both the left/right and the top/bottom halves have

the same shape when compared to a circle (both are rectangles having the same dimensions). Therefore, choose either left/right or top/bottom halves. This example will select from left/right halves.

- (ii) A coin flip selects the right half. The dimensions of the selected surface are  $\frac{1}{16}$  meter by  $\frac{1}{4}$  meter.
  - (6) Selecting the sixth half:
- (i) If the next selection of halves was left/right, the halves would be rectangles four times as long as they are wide (½6 meter wide and ½4 meter high. Halves selected from top/bottom would be square (½6 meter on a side). Therefore, select the next halves top/bottom halves (square) are closer to the shape of a circle than the shape of the left/right halves (long narrow rectangles).
- (ii) A coin flip selects the top half. The dimensions of this selected surface are  $\frac{1}{8}$  meter high and  $\frac{1}{8}$  meter wide or 12.5 cm by 12.5 cm.
- (7) Collect a standard wipe test sample in the sixth half. Since the dimensions of half of the sixth half would be 12.5 cm by 6.25 cm, the area (approximately 78 cm²) would be less than the required 100 cm² minimum area for the standard wipe test. Therefore, no further sampling by halves is necessary. Take the standard wipe test samples of the entire selected sixth half.

#### § 761.308 Sample selection by random number generation on any two-dimensional square grid.

- (a) Divide the surface area of the non-porous surface into rectangular or square areas having a maximum area of 1 square meter and a minimum dimension of 10 centimeters.
- (b) Measure the length and width, in centimeters, of each area created in paragraph (a) of this section. Round off the number of centimeters in the length and the width measurements to the nearest centimeter.
- (c) For each 1 square meter area created in accordance with paragraph (a) of this section, select two random numbers: one each for the length and width borders measured in paragraph (b) of this section. An eligible random number can be from zero up to the total width, minus 10 centimeters.

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- (d) Locate the 10 centimeter by 10 centimeter sample.
- (1) Orient the 1 square meter surface area so that, when you are facing the area, the length is left to right and the width is top to bottom. The origin, or reference point for measuring selected random numbers of centimeters to the sampling area, is on the lower left corner when facing the surface.
- (2) Mark the random number selected for the length distance, in centimeters, from the origin to the right (at the bottom of the area away from the origin).
- (3) From the marked length distance on the bottom of the area, move perpendicularly up from the bottom of the area into the area for the distance randomly selected for the width.
- (4) Use the point determined in paragraph (d)(3) of this section as the lower left corner of the 10 centimeter by 10 centimeter sample.

#### § 761.310 Collecting the sample.

Use the standard wipe test as defined in §761.123 to sample one 10 centimeter by 10 centimeter square (100 cm²) area to represent surface area PCB concentrations of each square meter or fraction of a square meter of a nearly flat, non-porous surface. For small surfaces, use the same procedure as for the standard wipe test, only sample the entire area, rather than 10 centimeter by 10 centimeter squares.

#### § 761.312 Compositing of samples.

For a surface originally contaminated by a single source of PCBs with a uniform concentration, it is permissible to composite surface wipe test samples and to use the composite measurement to represent the PCB concentration of the entire surface. Composite samples consist of more than one sample gauze extracted and chemically analyzed together resulting in a single measurement. The composite measurement represents an arithmetic mean of the composited samples.

(a) Compositing samples from surfaces to be used or reused. For small or irregularly shaped surfaces or large nearly flat surfaces, if the surfaces are contaminated by a single source of PCBs with a uniform concentration, com-

posite a maximum of three adjacent samples.

- (b) Compositing samples from surfaces to be disposed of off-site or on-site. (1) For small or irregularly shaped surfaces, composite a maximum of three adjacent samples.
- (2) For large nearly flat surfaces, composite a maximum of 10 adjacent samples.

## § 761.314 Chemical analysis of standard wipe test samples.

Perform the chemical analysis of standard wipe test samples in accordance with §761.272. Report sample results in micrograms per 100 cm<sup>2</sup>.

# § 761.316 Interpreting PCB concentration measurements resulting from this sampling scheme.

- (a) For an individual sample taken from an approximately 1 meter square portion of the entire surface area and not composited with other samples, the status of the portion is based on the surface concentration measured in that sample. If the sample surface concentration is not equal to or lower than the cleanup level, by inference the entire 1 meter area, and not just the immediate area where the sample was taken, is not equal to or lower than the cleanup level.
- (b) For areas represented by the measurement results from compositing more than one 10 centimeter by 10 centimeter sample, the measurement for the composite is the measurement for the entire area. For example, when there is a composite of 10 standard wipe test samples representing 9.5 square meters of surface area and the result of the analysis of the composite is 20  $\mu g/100~cm^2$ , then the entire 9.5 square meters has a PCB surface concentration of 20  $\mu g/100~cm^2$ , not just the area in the 10 cm by 10 cm sampled areas.
- (c) For small surfaces having irregular contours, where the entire surface was sampled, measure the surface area. Divide 100 cm<sup>2</sup> by the surface area and multiply this quotient by the total number of micrograms of PCBs on the surface to obtain the equivalent measurement of micrograms per 100 cm<sup>2</sup>.